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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements previously filed, Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner a Supplementary Partial European Search Report dated February 25, 2009 with respect to patent family member European Patent Application No. 03747702.3, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) US 6234958;
- (2) US 5178130;
- (3) US 6066090;
- (4) US 2002/0040220, and patent family members US 2005/0143723, US 2008/0262486, US 2007/0239150 and US 2006/0009751; and
- (5) US 2002/0007108.

The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the European claims by the European Examiner, is set forth in the Supplementary Partial European Search Report.


Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. The above-noted documents are listed on an attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the Supplementary Partial European Search Report is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should there be any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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